LOST FAITH IN SALISBURY.

BRITISH OPINION OF RIM HAS COMPLETELY CHANGED,

Mis Own Party Believes That Me Has Arain Retreated-Tory Organs Demand the Truth About the Chinese Situation-The Government Not Likely to Promulgate the Pacts Even in the Queen's Speech-England Is at Least in Accord with Russia on the Cretan Question-Appalling Suffering in Thousaly.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The far Eastern enigma is s much a mystery as ever as far as the public concerned, and the British section of the pubhas become exceedingly restive, not to say adignant, under the reticence of the Salisbury Ministry. This is unusual, for the people of this country, in times of important crises, ordinarily daplay remarkable patience and complete confidence in the Government. The complete change in the popular estimate of Lord Salisbary, especially within his own party, is demoned in a striking manner by the general saxiety at the present moment and the ready credence given to the reports that he has again reated under pressure from the position which he declared he would never vacate.

Mr. Gerald Balfour's vague assurance last night that the Government was sticking to its es in the far Eastern situation has done little toward restoration of public confidence. The country demands specific facts, and Lord Salis bury must find such requests for definite knowledge as made by the Standard to-day iating as well as embarrassing. It doubtful if the Government will yield much to this demand even in the Queen's speech on pert Tuesday. Diplomatic secrets have never been more carefully guarded than during the pending Chinese pegotiations, and if it is true, as secias to be the case, that no solution has sen reached, there is little doubt that official icence will continue for some time longer.

But although the Chinese loan, with political equences of great importance involved, is Il under discussion, there is abundant reason believe that Great Britain and Russia have sed one or two outside issues, Lord Salisbury cooperating with the Cear in insisting that Prince George be Governor of Orete, and it is altogether probable that this will be accomblished in spite even of the opposition of Ger-many and Austria. It is high time that the abominable scandal upon humanity involved in the Cretan question be settled, for the reports of the condition of the island grow worse daily. too, do the advices from Thesealy. The British philanthropists who retain any sympathy for the Greek victims of Turkey's success n war receive in every mail harrowing accounts of the wretched people's sufferings. Most people outside of Greece appear to be under the delusion that the Turks evacuated Thessaly, but, of course, the Sultan's soldiers Thesisty, but, or course, the quantum solutions are still there, and at the present moment are in comfortable winter quarters, which means that the Thessalians, wherever they had ventured to return to their homes, have been turned out again to make room for the troops. The winter, which has been phenomenally mild in most parts of Europe, has been exceptionally severe in Thessaly, and homeless thousands have been forced to take refuge in caves or other rough shelter. Hundreds have actually perished of cold and starvation, being beyond the reach

A latter received this week from Athens esti-mates that there are 70,000 ranges from Thessaly, 20,000 from Epirus, and 20,000 from Crete dependent upon charity to save them from death. There does not appear to be much spare cash in Greece, and the victims die, and the Turks will remain forever in Thessaly unless Europe intervenes, of which there is no indi-

The greatest interest, of course, attaches to the Queen's speech, but the best opinion is that it will prove disappointing to the public by reason of what it will not contain. The precious document was taken to Osborne on Thursday by the Duke of Devonshire and read to the Queen at a special audience after the Privy Council meeting. The Duke never once loosened even when he got into the railroad car. He is a fully careful man, especially for a Duke, and is suspicious to an undignified degree of his fellow Christians. When he returned to London in the evening he still had the little case in his big hand. During the interval the man uscript had become additionally precious, for it had received Queen Victoria's signature. He went to the Cabinet council this afternson with the case under his arm and emerged from the eign Office safe, and on Monday it will be given en's printers to be set up within the Foreign Office by compositors under a standing the oath of secreoy.

On Monday evening, in accordance with old fashioned courtesy, copies will be sent to the leaders of the Opposition in both houses of Par liament. The great interest of the speech lies of course, in the references to foreign affairs icularly the situation in the far East, but it will deal with other matters of more than loca portance, including the schemes for increas ing and reorganizing the army and adding to the

There is much curiosity in regard to the utter sace on the Indian frontier campaign. It is pointed out to-day that the slaughter of officers has been greater in this disastrous frontier was than in the battle of Waterloo. Furthermore, the campaign has resulted in nothing thus faexcept loss and disappointment.

KATZ'S GREAT SCHEMES. One Was to Rob a Museum—He Did So and L Now in an Asylum.

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUR. BERLIN, Feb. 5.-A while ago Adolf Katz en tered the Hohenzollern Museum, hid himself till the museum was closed, then annexed some valuable rings, goblets, &c., and made his exit through a window. He chatted with a sentinel, and then walked off without interference from any one. He sold some of the treasures and presented others to his lady friends, which led

to his arrest and condemnation. On appeal Katz was pronounced a lunatic and sent to an asylum. During the trial he tried to persuade the Judge of his sanity by means which the Judge maintained proved his insanity, viz., elaborate plans to steal the war treasure of \$90,000,000 that is kept in the Julius Thurn at Spandau. He also unfolded ects for entering the imperial printing works and stealing the stock of new bank notes and for wrecking an imperial train by an explo-sion. Certainly his sensational plans and his explanation of them showed a considerable de gree of feasibility, but Katz went to the asylum

HE MUST DON HIS HEST SUIT. Pine Attire Is Not Too Good in Which to Groom Horses on Sunday.

Special Cable Desputch to Tun Box. BERLIN, Pub. 5.-The Burgomasters are aptrently emulating Emperor William. The master of Schkenditz recently issued an

at requiring the townspeople to wear their best clothes on Sunday. On the following Sunday, walking abroad to observe the result of his order, he found a pleman in wooden clouts, torn stockings, soiled trousers, and a flaring red neckerchief. policeman was immediately summoned to arrest hun, and he was tried for less majesté or unicipal equivalent. Although he proved that he had been grooming and feeding his master's borse and was on his way home, he was

fined a mark and a half and conts,

ZOLA'S TRIAL TO-MORROW. The Government Won't Let Him Prove Mt Charges If It Can Help It.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 5 .- Although the violent fea tures of the public agitation in France have subsided for the moment, the country is awaiting with ill-suppressed excitement the trial of M. Zola, which will begin at the Assizes on Monday. There are some slight indications of reviving sanity and recognition of the first principles of justice in Paris, but it is still certain that the Government will make every effort to suffic inquiry and prevent the introduction of

evidence tending to prove M. Zola's charges. France has had another example of the highnanded methods of the Middle Ages which the Government still dares to employ in a country which masquerades as a republican form of government. The public authorities do not hesitate to violate the secrecy of letters when searching for information of any nature. It is useless to protest, but Deputy Delcasse thought it was going a step too far when the Govern-ment, after violating his correspondence in the mails, even betrayed the knowledge thus obtained to a newspaper. M. Meline admitted that this was unfair and promised to make inquiry, but postal esplonage on a large scale is admittedly common.

A Deputy who recently borrowed 100 france from a colleague wrote saying that he enclosed a bank note to discharge the debt. But he forgot to put the money in the envelope, and, discovering his error, he called on his friend and pro-ceeded to refund the amount. The creditor, however, asserted that the note had been duly

forwarded in the letter. Both, in astonishment, demanded an expla-nation of the Post Office. It turned out that the official who opened and read the letter, finding no inclosure, supposed he had lost it. The authorities, accordingly, supplied another ne which was duly scaled in the envelope and forwarded.

BLACKWAILERS IN LONDON.

An Attempt to Bleed on Unnamed Member of the Government.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. LONDON, Feb. 5 .- The Morning will to-morrow describe a sensational attempt to levy blackmail upon an unnamed member of the Cabinet, who, the paper says, has brilliant social and political attainments. It appears that a gang of rascals who possess evidence of the Minister's alleged misdeeds in early life have demanded thousands of pounds from him.

The Scotland Yard authorities were notified of the plan of the blackmatlers, and, while tracking them, uncarthed the fact that an fficial connected with the Post Office Department was clocking the gang and enabling its sembers to conceal their whereabouts. One man who was recently convicted of blackmail ing rich residents of the West End of London has given the police information. Startling arrests are probable.

SIR TATTON SYRES'S SIGNATURE. A Lot of Other Cases in Which He Boules That He Wrote His Name

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. LONDON, Feb. 5.-It will be remembered that the recent verdict in the Sykes money lending case imputed the forgery of her husband's name nore cases pending involving large amounts in which insurance companies and even the Roths-childs are plaintiffs. In each case Sir Tatton Sylves deales the signature. A 1886 case and been selected for the purpose of proving the plaintiffs' contention that the signatures are genuine despite Sir Tatton's denial.

It was a part of Lady Sykes's defence that her rusband is accustomed to deny his signature habitually when genuine. If the plaintiffs win the pending cases the significance of the ver-dict against Lady Sykes will be destroyed.

BICH FIND OF OLD COINS. They Are Mestly Silver Pountes and Half

Special Cable Despatch to Tan Sun. LONDON, Feb. 5.-A large discovery of old English coins has be Edinburgh. So valuable is the collection, from a historical standpoint, that the Orown authories are taking precautions to have it preserved in its entirety.

The discovery was made through the action of a mole. So far 270 coins of the Edward I. period have been unearthed. The coins were in rouleaux. The greater number are silver pennies and half-pennies minted between A. D. 1979 and 1307. The majority bear the London impress, Canterbury comes second, and Bristol, Newcastle, and Durham marks also occur. Two are of the period of Alexander III., who asended the throne of Scotland in A. D. 1249.

FAST STEAMERS TO THE ORIENT. Brittsh Shipping Companies Say 20-Knot Ve sels Must Be Built.

Special Cable Desputch to THE SUR. LONDON, Feb. 5.—The shipping companies sub-sidized to carry the mails to India and the far East have decided to improve the speed of their service. They have suddenly awakened to the fact that the trans-Siberian railroad will com nto competition within a few years. There is not now one steamer engaged in the Anglo Indian passenger or freight service that is capable of more than fourteen knots. The ordinary rate even of the P. and O. steamers is ten knots A conference of the leading men in the tradnas been arranged. The more far seeing among them declare that they must start building twenty-knot boats without waiting until Rus-

sia completes the railroad through Manchuria, WE UNDERSELL THE BRITISH. Orders for 8,000 of Our Golf Cinbs Taken is England and Scotland.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR LONDON. Feb. 5 .- Perhaps the most humiliating incident to Englishmen in the invasion of this market by Americans is the trade just begun in golf clubs. An agent of an American ouse came here a few days ago and had no difficulty in obtaining orders for 8,000 clubs from the largest dealers in golf goods in Scotland and England.

The reason is that the American clubs are better made and finished than the English at anything like the same price. The reason why Americans can undersell the British makers is that improved machinery and advanced methods of manufacture are used in America.

LOCOMOTIVES FROM AMBRICA. They Are Ordered for the Equipment of the

Soudau Bailread.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SU CAIRO, Feb. 5 .- Gen. Sir H. H. Kitchener Commander-in-Chief of the Egyptian forces, has ordered the construction of several locomotive for the equipment of the Soudan ratiroad from American firms.

The orders were placed with American builders on account of the probable delay in their construction owing to the recent strike of engineers in England.

Franco Brops the Inscription on Colus. Special Cable Desputch to THE BOR.

LONDON, Feb. 5.-The French authorities have decided to abandon the inscription on coins which, since the days of the Consulate, has been Dies protége La France. Sacrilegious English journals suggest that the Czar will do as well.

Florida and the South. "The Great Limited" is via Pennsylvania, Southern, F. C. an I P., and East Coast Line, leaving New York daily, except Funday, 11:09 A. M. Two other fast trains. New York offices, 871 and 550 B'wag.

AMERICAN FRUIT SCARE.

BERLIN MERCHANTS PROTEST AGAINST THE PROBIBITION.

They say It Will Increase the Price of Fruit Enormously-An Entomologist Says There Is No Danger to German Fruit Trees-Agrarinns Worried Over American Herses. Special Cable Desputch to THE SUR.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.-The figures which Horr Kne bel quoted in the Chamber show the importance of the fruit import trade of Germany. In the three years 1892-94 the imports exceeded the exports by 56,000,000 marks, in 1893-95 by 69,000,000 marks, and in 1894-96 by 90,500,000 marks.

The Agrarian party is now complaining of American horses. Dr. Hahn made a great out-cry in the Chambar on Monday about the in-creasing importation of horses. He said that porses valued at over 4,500,000 marks had been imported in the past cleven months. Herr von Mondel continued the complaint on Thursday. and Freiherr von Hammerstein-Loxten, Minister of Agriculture, has promised an investigation. The American horse has already attracted the Government's attention. Hitherto there has

been no reason for interference. The Emperor's decree against the importation of American fresh fruits was countersigned by Count von Posadowsky-Webner. It was ganetted in to-night's Reichsanseiger. The measure loss not affect cargoes already in transit.

The Berlin Fruit Merchants' Association held meeting to-day and passed a resolution, which will be sent to the Bundesrath, protesting that the measure is bound to increase enormously the price of fruit in Berlin. The eminent Stettin entomologist, Heinrich Dohrn, declares that the fear of the destruction of German fruit trees by the San José scale is no better founded than the terror concerning the Colorado beetle, which was expected to exterminate the potato

The German press welcome Mr. Wilson's admission that fruit diseases can be transferred for long distances, and regard it as a justification of the prohibition of the importation of

American fruits-The non-Agrarian Germans fear that the commercial tension between Germany and the United States will be increased by the prohibition. The Cologne Gasette affirms that Chancel or von Hohenlohe will never consent to any act on the part of Germany bearing the appearance of an intentional breach or evasion of her ommercial treaties.

GERMANT'S EXCLUSION ORDERS. Eighty-one Cases of American Prutt Excludes

-May Exclude American Herses.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.-No additional informs ion about the German exclusion of American fresh fruits was received at the State Department to-day except in a brief cable message from Ambassador White reporting that the Consul at Hamburg had notified him that the examination of detained fruits had been commenced there, and that all fresh fruit was adnitted except eighty-one cases, in which the authorities claim to have discovered the San José scale. The Consul added that there was no trouble about dried fruits. The efficials of the spartment interpret the fallure of Ambass White to obtain detailed information about the

ment to the desire of Germany not to make pubment to the desire of Germany not to make pub-tion intentions smill it has been definitely de-termined whether they are to be middled or to stand us they are. The department is satisfied that the criginal order was considerably modi-fied on account of the protest of this Govarnfied on account of the protest of this Government.

Nothing is known here officially about the reported desire of Germany to exclude American horses, but it will be no surprise to the Administration if such an order is issued. The officials consider it merely as another evidence of the desire of the Berlin Government to injure American trade. Some American horses are purchased for the imperial srmy, but the shipments do not amount to more than a few thousand dollars a year. The enterprise has been growing, however. In answer to a question in regard to the exclusion of horses, an official of the State Department said to-day:

"We expect to hear next of the exclusion of all American citissus from Germany on the ground that there is influenza in this country."

SIR ROBERT PEEL'S PICTURES. an Action to Prevent Mim from Selling the Pamily Meirleones.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Feb. 5.—An injunction was issued o-day restraining Sir Robert Peel, grandson of the famous statesman of that name who was twice Prime Minister of England, from removng or disposing of the Peel heirloom pictures in the gallery of Drayton Manor, Tamworth, the ncestral seat of the Peels.

It was shown that Sir Robert had attempted o remove and sell certain of these paintings in order to pay certain pressing debts with the proseeds. In the course of the application for the injunction it was alleged in court that there were forty-four bankruptcy notices out against

FREE BREAD IN PISA. Large Quantity Distributed-The Price of Flour to Be Reduced.

secial Cable Despatch to THE BUR. ROME, Feb. 5 .- A free distribution of bread was made in the city of Pisa yesterday upon large scale. The price of flour will be reduced on Monday

from 42 to 40½ france per quarter.

The Chamber of Deputies to day approved the neasure to decrease the duty on wheat by 219 francs. The majority favoring the measure was

THE OYMRIC AT LIVERPOOL The New White Star Vessel Is the Larges Cargo Boat Aflent.

peinl Cable Despatch to THE BUR. LONDON, Feb. 5 .- The new White Star cargo teamer Cymric has arrived at Liverpool from the builders in Bulfast. She is 600 feet long, 64 road, 42 deep and 23,000 tons gross. Hor

twin propellers are driven by separate sets of quadruple engines. She holds the cargo boat record for size, and s expected to win it for speed without difficulty. HARDSHIPS NANSEN ENDURED.

He Found Lecturing in America as Hard as Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN LIVERPOOL, Feb. 5,-Dr. Nansen arrived here resterday on his return from the United States In an interview last evening he said that he ad found lecturing in America as hard as Arctic exploring. When he was not lecturing,

style of travelling was not to his taste. PRINCE GEORGE'S CANDIDACY. tustrin Informs the Porte That She Has Not Assented to 14.

he said, he was travelling, and the American

Special Cubic Desputch to Tun Sun. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 5 .- Haron Colice, Austrian Ambassador to Turkey, had an audience with the Sultan yesterday at which he declared to the Ottoman Emperor that Austria-Hungary had not assented to the candidature of Princ George of Greece for the Governorship of Crete

Prance Thunks Br. T. Eggleston. Special Cubie Desputch to THE SUR.

PARIS, Feb. 5 .- M. Turrel, Minister of Public Works, has, in the name of the Government of France, thanked Dr. Thomas Eggleston, emeritus professor of mineralogy and metallurgy of School of Mines, New York, for a gift of \$5,000 toward increasing the collection of minMORE SPANISH WARSHIPS.

I'we More Will Be Bespatched to Make Friendly Calls at Our Ports.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SON.

MADRID, Feb. 5.—The Government has decided to send two more cruisers to the United States. They will probably be the small unarmored cruiser Cristobal Colon, 1,130 tons and 1,500 borse power, which is being rapidly armed with new 24-centimetre guns, and the belted cruiser Almirante Oquendo, 7,000 tens and 13,000 horse power. It is not known at what ports they are intended to call. Arrangements are being pushed to despatch further warships

MISS JACKSON'S DEBUT. The American Victimes Makes a Brillian Success in London,

Special Cable Despatch to TRESUS.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Miss Leonora Jackson, the young American violinist, made her début in London at the symphonic concert to-night and achieved a brilliant success. Miss Jackson recently won the Mendelssohn State Prize in

Berlin. She has been a pupil of Joachim, who has a great idea of her talent.

The Sunday Times, in its musical article tomorrow, will say: "Miss Jackson has positive genius. It is seldom we have seen a large representative English audience so moved by a vouthful artist."

Miss Jackson formerly resided in Chicago. She was sent to Berlin by Mrs. Grover Cleve-land and other women then residing in Washington in order that she might study music un der Joseph Joachim, the celebrated violinist.

BUDGET WON'T BE \$70,000,000 Chances Are That It Will Be Less Than the

The work of making the budget for the new city has been nearly completed by the Board of Estimate, which will probably put the finishing touches on the job this week. The board har already appropriated about \$58,000,000 for the expenses of city departments for 1898, and there are still several departments to be taken care still held up is that of the Board of Education, chances are that at least \$1,000,000 will be lopped off this appropriation.

But even if the Board of Estimate does allow

every cent the School Commissioners ask for, the budget will be no larger, in all probability, than the aggregate of the amounts appropriated by the various Boards of Estimate in the several municipalities and towns taken into the consolidation for the expenses of the city in 1898. The chances are that it will be smaller by several millions of dellars. The cutting of estimates done by the present Board of Estimate is with out precedent, the reductions running all the way from 10 to 80 per cent.

The total amount appropriated by the various Boards of Estimate in December was \$68,710,003.71. Of this sum the New York Board appropriated \$51,443,643.64, the Brooklyn Board \$15,172,116.84, the borough of Queens \$1,646,-725.56, and the borough of Richmond \$447,-517.67. From the amounts so appropriated there is to be deducted \$5,040,900.48, the total of the general fund, or unexpended balances and liquor tax license money, turned in by the old city of New York for the reduction of the tax

No matter how great or how small may be the budget fixed by the present Board of Estimate the amount to be raised by taxes this your in the present city of New York will not be changed. The levy to be made was fixed by the old Board of Estimate. It amounts to \$68. 110,003,71 less \$5,040,900,48 the total of the general fund, or \$83,669,103.23. If the budget appropriated by the new Board of Estimate ex seeds that sum, the excess will be provided for by an issue of revenue bonds which must ac-cording to the provisions of the charter, be included in the tax levy next year.

TWO HORSES DROWNED.

"Skinny the Water Rat" Tried to Save Them, Though There Was No Medal to It.

"Ekinny the Water Rat" did his best, but he couldn't save them. They were only a pair of horses, but when he saw them swimming round and round in the East River at the foot of Broome street, hopelessly seeking a way of escape from death, he didn't walt to count the odds and plunged right in. It was no use, though. Two horses are hard enough for a small boy to handle on dry land, let alone in the river, and "Skinny" had to give it up. The team belonged to Thomas Mead, a feed

dealer at 3 Tompkins street. Their driver. Andrew Fister, took them down to Pier 55, East River, last night to unhitch them and to leave the truck on the pier, as was his custom. One of the horses is blind, and as they walked back toward the street unattended this one stumbled over a post, fell into the river, and dragged the other in after it. They came to the surface under the stern of the fire boat Havemeyer. Seeing their predicament, Fister set up a shout, "Skinny the Water Rat"—men around there don't care for the rest of his name—heard him and ran to the pier's edge.

"Dere's no medals in dis," he said, "but I kin save'em," and with that he selsed a piece of rope and jumped into the river. Dodging the struggling horses, he managed to clamber onto the back of one of them. He tied the rope around his mount's nock and threw the other end to some men on a near-by sand scow. They tugged with a will until the horse's cyaballs started, but they couldn't pull the animal out. "Skinny" asw that it was all over, so he slid back into the water and climbed out once more onto the pier.

"I did me best," he said as he watched the Andrew Fister, took them down to Pier 55, East back into the water and conto the pier.

"I did me best," he said as he watched the horses bodies float off down the river, and then he made for a saloen to dry his clothes.

Committee Fermed to Settle the Fate of a Man

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 5.-At Skagway, Alaska, on last Monday morning Bartender Ed Ray shot and killed Andrew McGrath and Deputy United States Marshal Rowan. Ray was turned over to a citizens' vigilance committee of twelve men, which was to announce his fate at a public meeting on Tuesday noon. The steamer City of Scattle left Skagway on Tuesday morning. Passengers say there is not the slightest doubt that Ray was hanced by the engaged citizens that day. His murders were cold-bleeded and unprovoked and it was thought at Skagway that an exemple ought to be set by dealing out justice to him at once.

Shortly after midnight on Monday morning Andrew McGrath complained that an actress in the People's Theatre, with whom he had been drinking beer, had robbed him of \$100. Ray took the actress's part and gave McGrath a beating. McGrath swore vengence and endeavored, to borrow a gun of an acquaintance on the atreet. He met Beputy Marshal Howan, who was going to a drug store to purchase medicines for his wife, who had just given birth to a child. morning. Passengers say there is not the

achild.

**Riowan accompanied McGrath back to see if he could settle the quarrel. As he and McGrath atopped inside the theatre Ray fired, killing both. Mrs. Rowan died of shock on hearing of her husband's fate.

Seven ininers who returned from Dawson today report an exidus from there to Stewart River, which will be prospected this summer. Latest reports from Hunker, Sulphur, and Dominion Crecks indicate that their richness will equal that of Eldorado. Major Walsh does not expect to leave Big Salmon for Dawson until April 1. He paid \$2 per pound for provisions to men going down.

W. R. Poster, Jr., Starts for New York,

Special Cable Desputch to THE SUN. HAVRE, Feb. 5 .- William R. Foster, Jr. s charged with having embezzled \$193,000 from the gratuity fund of the New York Produce Exchange and whose extradition was ordered by the French Government, sailed hence for New York to-day in charge of detectives.

Tweive Men Browned at Riel.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. Kini, Fob.5.—Twelve men were drowned here to-day by the capsising of a launch which was convering a number of safines to relieve guard at the imperial dock yard.

TWO LINERS IN TROUBLE.

KAISER WILHELM IL AND LA BRETAGNE DID NOT GET QUY.

Report That They Were in Collision-The Keiser Was Agreend, but Was Pulled Off-La Bretague at a Standatill Outside-Wrecking Tuge Go Down to Her in the Feg.

Several of the liners that were scheduled to sail yesterday morning did not get away until late in the evening because of the fog which obscured the vision of the pilots, except at infrequent intervals, from noon until after midnight this morning.

The French steamship La Bretagne, which left her pier at 10 o'clock in the morning, the same hour that the North German Lloyd steamship Kaiser Wilhelm II., bound for Genoa, sailed from her dock in Hoboken, was at a standstill off the Hook at 1 o'clock this morning. She was only dimiy discernible through the thick mist by the marine observer. She had been first seen by the observer in a rift in the obscuration at 4:25. She was apparently passing out then, but she had stopped when she was next seen.

Word came up to the North German Lloyd dock at Hoboken last night that the Kaiser Wilhelm II, had grounded on the edge of Gedney's Channel while trying to avoid collision with the Bretagne. A rumor had it that the two ships had bumped each other.

The men of the tug Pulver reported that the Kalser had grounded, and that the tug had assisted in getting her off. She was anchored in five fathoms at midnight waiting for the tide to rise so she could proceed.

The Merritt-Chapman wrecking steamers Mer-

ritt and Chapman, in charge of Mr. Chapman, started down the bay last night in hope of get ting the job of hauling off two steamships. Mr. Chapman had heard that the Kaiser and Bretagne had anchored in Gravesend Bay to wait for the fog to lift. They started to sea at the same moment and were only three minutes spart when they were reported passing out the Hook, in Gedney's Channel. Mr. Chap man heard that both vessels had grounded try-

ing to avoid collision.

A representative of the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company said early this morning that the French line agent had gone down on the steamer Chapman to find out what had hap-

pened to the Bretagne.

The Hook had reported her anchored. The wrecker's agent said he had no doubt that she was aground. Otherwise, he said, he would have heard from the wrecking tugs, which had had ample time to get to the Hook and back since they started

down. Gedney's channel is outside the Hook. The buoys marking it have been dragged out of position by the ice going out the ebb tide and this may have puzzled the pilots. Mr. Guetav H. Schwab, the agent of the North German Lloyd Company, said early this morn-

ing that the accident to the Kaiser had not bee reported to him, and that he was sure it would have been if it had amounted to anything. The following are the principal names on the eassenger lists of the two steamers:

KAISER WILHELM II. Col. G. B. Allen.
Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Briggs.
Mrs. E. L. Bridges.
Mrs. E. L. Bridges.
Mrs. Mas Maith Mabel Bridges.
Franklin D. Bowen.
Miss Grace A. Bowen.
Rev. and Mrs. Mathan R.
Rev. and Mrs. Isano Jennings.
William Ten Brocck Mynderse.
Miss Helen Livingston
Eyaderse.
Lieut. and Mrs. A. Cappollini.
Mason.
Miss. E. Mer. Hni,
Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Chard,
Mrs. Alfred Cerning Clark,
Dr. N. Monroe Dodson,
L. F. Kisig, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick
Mr. and Mrs. Frederick
Mr. and Mrs. Frederick
Gr.nneil,
Russell Grinneil,
Lawrence Grinneil,
Mrs. Lydia Grinneil,
Mrs. Lydia Grinneil,
Mrs. Coorge Ringle,
Mr. and Mrs. George E,
Schanck,
Schanck, Lawrence Grinnell, Miss Lydia Gricnell, Mrs. George D. Hulst, Miss Elia S. Hulst,

Miss Elia S. Hulst.
Dr. and Mrs. Alex Hegedua,
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred T.
Hartwel.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harriman,
riman, LA BRETAGNE, E. Galibert, W. A. Haughton, Mrs. E. B. Ladjing, Mrs. A. H. Beck, Mrs. G. H. Hannon, Searlos Babbitt, Mrs. R. B. Ladjing, L. J. Lajole, Miss M. J. Neator, Miss Caroliue Plant, E. C. Palmieri, Mrs. Palmieri, Louis V. Perry, Louis V. Perry.
Mrs. Perry.
Mrs. Perry.
Miss Dora A. Peck,
Mrs. J. V. Parry.
Dr. F. A. Swinkels,
H. Troster,
Gerard Van der Elst,
Miss Ann Vautron.

THEASURY SILVER SHORT. The Count Shows That Places of Load Hav-Heen Substituted for 856 Pollars.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.- The count of silver dollars in the Treasury, which has been in dellars in the Treasury, which has been in progress since the middle of last summer, was completed to-day. The amount was found to be \$103,053,000, less \$56 dollar coins which had been replaced with chunks of lead by a dishonest employee. The coin in the Treasury is counted at the beginning of each Administration in the United States Treasurer's office, and the shortage in this year's count must be made good by Daniel N. Morgan, the retiring Treasurer. The silver dollars are stored in vaults of the Treasury, being packed in canvas bags containing \$1,000 each. Last summer, while the count was in progress by the usual method of weighing the begs, it was discovered that Thomas Martin, a colored laborer, had extracted a number of coins and replaced them with pieces of lead. Martin was convicted of stealing \$28 and was fined \$50. Treasurer Roberts, under the circumstances, refused to accept the count by the weighing method, and on Sept. 10 the hand count of sliver dollars began. By this count lead was found to have been substituted in place of \$55 silver dollars. The Treasury Department official- say that a part of the lead must have been placed in the bags before the present count began, though the negro, Martin, who had been employed in the vaults for many years, is believed to be responsible for all of the poculations. The count four years ago revealed none of the lead substitutes for silver dollars. progress since the middle of last summer, was none of the lead substitutes for silver dollars.

NEW YORK BANKS WIN.

Jersey Court of Errors Scattains Claims 8300,000 Against Somestic S. M. Co. TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 5.-The Court of Errors

Thenton, N. J., Feb. 5.—The Court of Errors to-day rendered a decision in the case of Eliza Blake and othera, bondholders, against the Domestic Sewing Machine Company and the Domestic Manuracturing Company.

The companies are in the hands of a receiver, and the bondholders contest the action of the receiver in allowing the claims of certain banks, which advanced \$500,000 in paper indorsed by the manufacturing company's treasurer.

Vice-Chancelior Emory a few weeks ago decided in favor of allowing the claims of five of the six interested banks, and this decision the Court of Errors sustained. The banks are the Garfield. Chemical, Park, Broadway, and Phomix.

Col. Perry Carson in Juil for Contempt. WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.-Col. Perry H. Carson for many years a leader in District politics and for many years a leader in District politics and a picturesque figure in national Republican conventions by reason of his great stature and color, was committed to the District Jall teedsy for contenut of a Magnistrate's court. Carson was fined \$5 and costs for interfering with a constable who was levying on the horse and ash cart of a poor colored man, and to-day, soting on the advice of counsel, refused to pay the fine, whereupon he was sentenced to jail for five days.

Mr. Wanamaker Divides Profits.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5 .- In accordance with an announcement some time ago, John Wanamaker distributed this afternoon the amount o maker distributed this aftermon the amount of \$17.492 among the 5,300 employees in his Phila-delphia stere.

This amount represented the excess in the retail profits of the store during the menth of December, 1897, over the amount in December, 1896, Some of the employees received very sing checks. The distribution was made in checks. Mr. Wanamaker personally superin-tended the distribution.

Worth Secial. Simpson's new Loan Office and Safe Deposit Vaults, 49 West 4rd st., near Breadway.—Adv.

BATON ROUGE'S ODD APPEAL. Its Citizens Want the State of Louisiana to

Bun Its Local Government. NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 5.—Nearly all the business men and leading citizens of Baton Rouge, the capital of Louislans, have joined in a petition, which will be presented to the Louis lana Constitutional Convention to meet in New Orleans next week, asking that the municipality be abelished and that Baton Rouge be placed under the absolute control of the State Govern ment, in the same way as Washington city

controlled by the President and Congress. Baton Rouge is a city of 15,000, with numer ons lumber and other industries, but good gov erament has been difficult there because of the large number of negroes. The business men think the evil can be cured by abandoning selfgovernment.

It is not likely that the Constitutional Convention will grant this request or that the State of Louisiana will agree to operate the municipality of Baton Rouge.

CHIEF OF POLICE RILLED. Preacher Accidentally Shoots the Bend of

the Dallas, Tex., Porce, DALLAS, Tex., Feb. 5.-Chief of Police J. C. Arnold of this city, who was accidentally shot yesterday by the Rev. G. W. Truitt while out hunting, died at his home in this city at 8:50

to-night. The accident happened in John son county, sixty miles west of Dallas, Mr. Truitt fainted when he saw that he had shot his friend, and Chief Arnold himself had to bind up his shattered right leg with a handkerchief. He bled until he was almost unconscious before Mr. Truitt recovered sufficiently to aid him. Then Mr. Truitt helped him to a farmhouse

two miles away.

It was three hours before surgeons could be got from Cleburne, eight miles away. Chief Arnold was taken in a wagon eight miles to the railway statioe, and then travelled fifty-two miles further by ratl to Dalias, arriving at 10 o'clock to-day, exhausted and unconscious. He practically bled to death, and nover fully railled. Arnold was 45 years old, and served in the Confederate army as a boy soldier. He had been on the Dallas police force twenty-two years, rising from patrolman to Chief.

CORRUPTION IN LINCOLN, NEB. Articles of Impeachment to He Presented

Azalust Mayor Graham. Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 5.-A local investigating committee has been at work all the week lookng into the charges of bribery and corruption in the city administration, and, as a result, an nounces that on Monday night it will present articles of impeachment against Mayor Graham and Exciseman Vaill. The city is indignant over the testimony of a man in charge of the construction of a new pumping station, who swore that the Mayor had ordered him to plug the well, so that after spending thousands on it the city would have to abandon it. This oc-curred at a time when local capitalists were try-ing to get the contract to furnish the city with

Policemen and firemen testified to paying \$70 outright for their jobs, besides paying assessments at various times, estensibly for campaign expenses of the excisemen. It is also charged that gambling houses were allowed to run by paying monthly tips to the excisemen. Several attempts at intimidation, notably the immediate discharge of the officers who testified against excisemen by the Excise Board, have caused excisement.

DIED ON A FERRYBOAT.

Mr. Fairchild's Head Pillowed on the Clothe Bought for His Brother's Funeral. Nelson G. Fairchild, 50 years old, of 440 Con tral avenue, Jersey City Heights, who for ten years was employed in the freight department of the Starin Transportation Company on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad piers at Hoboken, visited this city yesterday with his wife to purchase a suit of black clothe to wear at the funeral of his brother, Byron S Tairchild, an engineer, who died on Thursday at his home, 210 Monitor street, Jersey City. While returning to Hoboken on the ferry boat Montclair of the Christopher street line shortly after 1 o clock, Mr. Fairchild walked out on the treet dies shortly after 1 o clock, Mr. Fairchild street line shortly after 1 o'clock, Mr. Fairchild walked out on the front deck to smoke, leaving his wife in the cabin. He had just lighted a cigar when he fell unconscious. The bundle containing the clothes was placed under his head as a pillow by one of the deck hands. All efforts to revive him were fruitiess. When the boat reached Hoboken he was removed to Police Headquarters in an ambulance. There City Physician Simon pronounced him dead. Death was due to heart disease. was due to heart disease.

KILLED WIFE AND PARAMOUR. George P. Tucker Commits a Double Murde

and Gives Himself Up. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 5.-George P. Fucker, a well-to-do citizen of Crescent, Fayette county, killed his wife and her paramour, William McAllister, yesterday. Tucker and his wife have separated on several occasions, and about a week ago he left home with the intention, he said, of remaining away indefinitely. When he came home he found McAllister and his wife together and he immediately began shooting. Two bullets struck McAllister, both bassing through the heart. Another bullet penetrated his wife's brain. Both victims died

Tucker's son, who was in the house, attempted to kill his father, but was prevented. After Tucker had committed the crime he walked to Montgomery, and gave himself up to the authorities. He remarked:

"I have suspected this for three years, and when I found it to be true to-day I made up my mind to have an end of it."

Tucker drew out what money he had in the bank, and employed an attorney to defend him. About two years ago Mrs. Tucker chopped her husband's head open with a hatchet.

MIKE M'DONALD'S VENTURE.

The Rich Chicago Cambler, with Others, to Star CHICAGO, Feb. 5 .- "Mike" McDonald, once the king of Chicago gamblers, but now a retired millionaire, is at the head of a party of Chica-

roans who have just purchased Fighting Island, eight miles from Detroit, on the Canadian side, for the purpose of establishing there a sort of Monte Carlo. It is a gigantic scheme, with a capitalization of \$2,000,000 behind it. The island is eight miles long, and has an area of 2,500 acres. It was sold for between \$150,000 and \$200,000 by George Dobie of Detroit, through R. O. Kinney, a real estate man of that city and Chicago. R. D. Curry has represented Mike McDonald.

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The scheme is to construct at once a race track on the island. Already there is a hotel there with about 100 rooms. There is a Casino building and boathouses, icehouses, vineyards, and a special system of water works.

COW WRECKS A FAST MAIL. Iwo Persons Killed and a Bozen Hurt on the

Iron Mountain Bond. DE Soro, Mo., Feb. 5 .- Collision with ierailed the Texas fast mail on the Iron Mounain Railroad, eight miles north of here, at 6:30 clock this morning, causing the death of two trainmen and the injury of a dozen more pertrainmen and the injury of a dozen more persons. The deal are William J. Francy, engineer, and Philip J. Chiles, fireman, both of St.
Louis. The entire train was derailed, the engine overturning down an embankment.

The train, which was due in St. Louis at 7:35
A. M., was running at the rate of forty miles an
hour. While passing through the village of
Hematite the engine struck the cow. The pilot
was lifted and the animal got underneath the
wheels. Wrocking and relief trains, with
surgeons and nurses, were hurried to the scene
from St. Louis.

16 ENGINE ALARMED BELLEVUE

other Patient Provided for the Hospital. Engine 16 entered the pard of Bellevue Hos-Engine 16 entered the yard of Believue Hospital yesterday morning to thaw out a hydrant. The clanging of the bell clarmed the patients. In Ward 21 the cry of "Fire!" was raised, and several patients ran from their beds before the nurses could quiet them.

In backing up the engine to the hydrant Charles Lamoreaux had his leg broken. It was caught between the rear step and the hydrant. He was taken into the hospital.

Male Drakes Export Prices 1598 styles now ready; 15 Stone st. -- Adm GIRLS' LIFE MODEL HURT,

SHOWERED WITH ICE, SNOW, AND

BROKEN GLASS IN THE STUDIO. the Was Robing Behind the Screen When a Big felele Smashed the Skylight Over Her

and an Avalanche Came Down - Art

League Life Class Scared-Model Hadly Cut.

The knocking in of a heavy glass skylight by falling icicle yesterday morning injured one of the young women models at the Art Students' League very seriously. The model, Miss Birby, had just stepped down from her morning's pose before one of Mr. H. Siddons Mowbray's women's life class. She was pude. She went behind the screen at the back of the room to put on her clothes. Before most of the students had left their drawings there came a crash from the skylight above. The girls who were sitting under the skylight threw them-selves from their stools in their haste to get out from under the falling glass. Those who were directly under didn't take time to try to crawl or jump. They rolled over and over on the floor until they were out of danger. The avalanche of glass, ire, and snow that came down where they had been sitting justified their

fright. The first thing that fell was a piece of icicle two fest long and six inches in diameter. It fell on the stool of one of the girls who had fled, and smashed the stool. Then came a shower of ice and frozen snow. It fell for fully ten seconds, and most of it fell behind the model's

screen. The students thought that she had been killed. Not a sound came from the other side of the screen. The girls looked at one another with scared faces. No one of them wanted to be the first to see what had happened. While men were still hesitating the screen fell over and the model came staggering out toward them screaming. One

gering out toward them screaming. One girl fainted at the sight, and nearly all of them screamed.

The model's body was bleeding in many places. There was a deep cut in her left shoulder from the base of the neck to the beginning of the arm. There was another long cut on the left side, beginning just under the arm and running down almost to the waist. There were five or six deep cuts on her legs. The girl was almost crazy with pain and the students for the moment were almost afraid of her. One of them had had some experience as a nurse and took charge.

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The men's life class in the next room had heard the racket, and came to the door in a body to know what was the matter. The girls shouted to the men to get a doctor first of all. In a few minutes Dr. H. Worthington Paige had been aummoned from the Rutland, in the next block. The men meanwhile had brought towels and warm water, and the girls had succeeded in quieting the model. Her only fear now seemed to be that her value as a model was gone.

"I can never pose again," she moaned. "I might as well be dead."

Dr. Paige told her that if she would let him take as many stitches as he thought necessary the cuts would heal over witbout very bad scars.

"I don't care how much you hurt me," she said, "if you can only do that."

The doctor worked over her for an hour, while the girls stood around and shuddered. She was then dressed and sent to her home in Jersey City in a cab.

Dr. Paige said that the cuts would heal over so that the lines of her figure would not be deared. and possibly so that there would not be dany scars on her body.

There was no afternoon session of the class.

FOR ART COMMISSIONER TO PARIS. W. A. Coffin Withdraws Because the Pino Arts Precration to Not Unanimous.

The sociaties represented in the Fine Arts Federation met on Thursday evening to rec mend a candidate for the post of United States Art Commissioner for Fine Arts to represent this country at the Paris Exposition of 1900. There are ten societies represented in the Fine Arts Federation, which includes the Water Color Society, the Beaux-Arts Society, and other artistic organizations in this city. Mr. William A. Coffin of this city had been selected, but at the meeting five of the societies voted for him, while three voted for Mr. John Caldwell. He is a member of the Century Club, and was the only other candidate proposed at the meeting. Two candidate proposed at the meeting. Two
of the societies represented at the meeting declined to vote. Mr. Coffin, who believed
that the candidate of the Federation should
be unanimously elected, and should receive the
support of all the societies, sent a letter of withdrawal to the committee appointed by the
Academy of Design and the Society of American Artists to control the matter of elections.
At present Mr. Caldwell is the only candidate
for recommendation by the Federation.
"Mr. Coffin's resignation has been received,"
said Mr. Carroll Beckwith of the committee last
night, "and it remains to be seen whether
the societies represented in the Federation will agree on Mr. Caldwell or nominate
another candidate to be recommended."

FOUR MUTINEERS ON BOARD.

Capt. Case Nas Them Prisoners on His Schooner and Is Taming Them. New London, Conn., Feb. 5.-Capt. W. L. Case of the four-masted schooner Independent had a consultation here this morning with United States Marshal Morris in relation to the mutiny of four of his crew. Their names are Chris Jenson, John Meikus, Claus Clemnens, and Andrew Thompson. The men signed articles at a New York shipping agency on Monday to join the Independent here for a trip to Philadelphia. On Tuesday they became dissatisfled with the food, and were preparing to leave the vessel at the wharf when Capt. Case confined them to the forecastle, placed them on a diet of bread and water, and had the schooner towed to the lower harbor, ready to sail.

The Captain waited until Friday afterneoa, and finding the mutineers were still unwilling to work he asked assistance of local Custom House officials. As the men were already confined on the schooner, and the Captain believed he was acting within the law in keeping them, the Marshal said he would not interfere unless the men created trouble aboard.

Capt. Case says he will give the mutineers until Monday to come to terms. If they do not he will have them placed under arrest. the vessel at the wharf when Capt. Case con-

M'KISSON MEN GO TO COURT.

lestraining Order Procured Ferbidding Expulsion from the Tippecance Club. CLEVELAND, Feb. 5.-The attempt to expel Mayor McKisson, Senator Vernon H. Burke, Speaker Harry C. Mason, and Representative M. F. Bramley from the Tippecanoe Club was

brought to a sudden halt to-day by the action of Judge Walter C. Ong, who issued a restraining order.
The proceedings were conducted very quietly by the attorneys for the accused, who waited until the neon hour and made their application when the court room was entirely deserted by everybody but themselves and the Judge. In their petitions the accused say they have been threatened with oppression, injury, and intimidation because of having exercised their rights and privileges as citizens of the United States.

Trying to Organize a Brick Trust.

FISKILL LANDING, Feb. 5 .-- A brick trust with a capital of \$6,000,000 behind it is being organzed. One thing only stands in the way, and that is the uncertain position of the Rose Brick Company of Reseton. Subscriptions to the amount of \$6,000,000 have been secured by Okley Thorne, a New York lawyer, who is organizing the trust. Options are held on every bricky ard along the Hudson River with the sole exception of the Rose plant. At an expense of hearly \$0.000 the sand and clay capacity of every yard along the river has been tested and thorough information obtained. The Hose plant is owned by seven interests, and the hitch is due to a difference of opinion between the parties. The trust has offered a liberal price for the Rose plant. In case the trust is not formed there will be a very large production of brick next summer, and the same scale of prices that provailed last August will be in vogue. Okley Thorne, a New York lawyer, who is

Croker to Join Mariem Democratic Club. Richard Croker, Mayor Van Wyck, and President Guggenheimer of the Council are posted for membership in the Harlem Democratic Club.

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